

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	<u>MINUTES OF INITIAL APPEARANCE</u>
	)	<u>AND ARRAIGNMENT</u>
	)	
vs.	)	Case No. 18-CR-40043-JPG
	)	
KURT F. JOHNSON,	)	Date: July 23, 2018
	)	
Defendant.	)	Location: Benton

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**PRESENT: HONORABLE REONA J. DALY, MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

**DEPUTY CLERK:** Jamie Melson

**REPORTER:** Chris Dohack

**COUNSEL FOR GOVERNMENT:** Michael J. Quinley, AUSA

**COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT:** Pro Se

- [x] Defendant present in open court in BOP custody.
  - [x] Defendant advised he would like to proceed Pro Se. Defendant questioned by the Court and is made fully aware of the hazards and disadvantages of self-representation. The Court finds the defendant has knowingly and voluntarily waived the right to counsel and permits the defendant to represent himself.
  - [x] Defendant waives reading of charges and is advised of rights.
  - [x] Defendant arraigned on [x] Indictment[ ] Information.
  - [x] Plea: [x] Not Guilty as to Counts 1-4 entered by the Court on defendant's behalf.
  - [x] Final Pretrial Conference set for SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 AT 9:30 A.M. before Judge Gilbert in Benton. The defendant's presence is required.
  - [x] Jury Trial set for SEPTEMBER 24, 2018 AT 9:00 A.M. before Judge Gilbert in Benton.
  - [x] Defendant remanded to custody of USP Marion (BOP).
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*\*No further notice will be given.*